Report on the Extramural Lecture by Dr. Shekhar Chauhan

Date: February 17, 2024

Time: 09:00 A.M. to 10:30 A.M.

Venue: Online via P.G. Department of Population Studies, Fakir Mohan University (FMU)

On February 17, 2024, the P.G. Department of Population Studies at Fakir Mohan University hosted an insightful extramural lecture by Dr. Shekhar Chauhan, a Postdoctoral Fellow at Florida State University. The lecture, titled "Utilization of LASI Data for Ageing Research in India," drew considerable interest and saw participation from over 50 individuals both online and offline.

Overview of the Lecture

Dr. Chauhan's lecture focused on the Longitudinal Ageing Study in India (LASI) and its significant role in ageing research. The LASI dataset provides a comprehensive and nationally representative data source that captures the health, economic, and social well-being of the elderly population in India. Dr. Chauhan elaborated on the following key points:

1. Introduction to LASI:

   - Objectives and scope of LASI.

   - Methodology and data collection processes.

   - Importance of LASI in understanding the ageing population in India.

2. Utilization of LASI Data:

   - Various research areas and questions that can be addressed using LASI data.

   - Case studies and examples of research conducted using LASI data.

   - Challenges and opportunities in using LASI for policy formulation and program development.

3. Analytical Techniques:

   - Statistical and econometric methods suitable for analysing LASI data.

   - Tools and software for managing and interpreting large datasets.

   - Best practices for ensuring data quality and reliability in research.

4. Implications for Policy and Practice:

   - How findings from LASI can influence public health policies.

- Role of LASI in addressing issues related to the ageing population, such as healthcare, social security, and quality of life.

- Potential collaborations and future research directions.

Interactive Session

The lecture was followed by a dynamic Q&A session, where participants engaged with Dr. Chauhan on various aspects of ageing research. Questions ranged from technical details about data analysis to broader implications for ageing policies in India. Dr. Chauhan's responses provided valuable insights and encouraged further exploration and collaboration among researchers and practitioners.

Participation

The event saw active participation from more than 50 attendees, including students, faculty members, and researchers from various institutions. The online platform facilitated a seamless exchange of ideas, making the session highly interactive and enriching.

Conclusion

The extramural lecture by Dr. Shekhar Chauhan was a significant event, contributing to the understanding and utilization of LASI data for ageing research in India. The participants gained a deeper appreciation of the complexities and opportunities in this field, paving the way for future research initiatives and policy developments.

The P.G. Department of Population Studies at Fakir Mohan University extends its heartfelt gratitude to Dr. Shekhar Chauhan for his valuable contribution and looks forward to more such enlightening sessions in the future.

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